

FARMERS' ALLIANCE.

ALLIANCE NOTES.

—Go to work.
—Don't be a drone.
—Labor creates all wealth.
—Wealth belongs to him who creates it.
—"If any will not work neither shall he eat."
—By what right should one man eat that which another produces?
—The nation is trembling on the verge of a great industrial revolution.
—The man that opposes free silver is in favor of high price money and low price labor.
—The single gold standard means an increased value to every dollar of debt in the country.
—A single gold standard means a de-

THE DEVIL FISH.

Nothing Else Affords a Fitting Comparison to the English Banking System.

The cartoon which we present this week is one that every voter in this country should cut out and keep posted upon the wall where he might study it every day in the year. It is a whole history in itself and tells its own story in a silent tongue that should reach home to the hearts of the American people.

Victor Hugo, in the *Toilers of the Sea*, describes one of the monsters of the deep.

He says: It is difficult for those who have not seen it to believe in the existence of the devil-fish.

Compared to this creature, the ancient hydras are insignificant.

If terror was the object of its creation, nothing could be imagined more perfect than the devil-fish. It has no blood, no

to go to this accursed power to buy gold with which to maintain their credit and upon such terms as the great English devil-fish may dictate. This proud republic of ours with all its boasted wealth, will, within a few short months, have to humble itself again and beg of this accursed devil-fish to buy its bonds, payable both interest and principal in gold, to save it from bankruptcy.

The usury the devil-fish draws from the various nations in gold gives it, practically, a monopoly of the gold of the world, and all nations must, to maintain their credit, borrow gold upon such terms as this voracious devil-fish may dictate.

Will the people of this great republic submit to the rule of this accursed monster, or will they declare for the free and unlimited coinage of silver?—Denver (Col.) "The Road."

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

The Topeka Waterworks.
Suit was brought in the district court by the city of Topeka to revoke the franchise of the Topeka Water Co. The petition alleges that the water company has not complied with its contract with the city, which provides that the city shall pay \$15,000 for 300 hydrants, and that the water company shall furnish free all the other hydrants necessary for the city's use. About eighteen months ago the water company's plant and franchise was sold by Job Mulvane to a syndicate of New York bankers for a quarter of a million dollars.

Old Soldiers' Preference.
H. H. Woolsey, mayor of Kingman, has been arrested charged with violating the law of Kansas requiring public officials to give the preference in their appointments to old soldiers. There has been considerable feeling among old soldiers and the mayor for some time, and this is the culmination of it. The law is generally ignored throughout the state, and it is probable this effort to make it operative will be of no avail.

A Helpful Friend.
The five colored students who graduated this year from the Emporia high school had a useful and helpful friend in Dan Weeks, the colored janitor, who has kept the school buildings at Emporia clean for fifteen years. He encouraged the graduates by every means within his power and was the proudest man in the town when they received their diplomas.

Kansas Governors.
There have been eleven governors of Kansas, in the following order: Charles Robinson, Thomas Carney, S. J. Crawford, N. Greene (lieutenant-governor, governor about a month to fill unexpired term of Crawford, resigned), James M. Harvey, Thomas A. Osborn, George T. Anthony, John P. St. John, George W. Glick, John A. Martin and Lyman U. Humphrey.

The State University.
Eighty-four students graduated from the state university this year, divided among the different departments as follows: Science and arts, 25; law, 29; music, 13; pharmacy, 8, and masters' degrees, 9. Attendance reached 623, not including 350 in the university extension department. It was a most prosperous year for the university.

Prosperous Russian Jews.
A colony of Russian Jews will settle in Edwards county this summer. The Dodge City Globe tells of a colony that came to Ford county a few years ago, poor as church mice, and says that the members of the community are all well to do farmers to-day, and are sending aid to others in Russia.

Leavenworth Bridge Bumper.
Rums was rife that the Leavenworth Terminal Railway and Bridge Co. had cleared its contract with the Missouri Valley Bridge Co. off, and had entered into a contract with the Union Bridge Co., of New York, to construct the new steel bridge across the Missouri river at Leavenworth.

The Code at Wichita.
No little excitement was created at Wichita by the discovery that C. Reed, judge of the district court, had been challenged to fight a duel by L. N. Bird, a prominent attorney. The trouble originated over uncomplimentary words in court.

A Possible Successor.
Col. Milton Stewart, of Wichita, is mentioned as a possible successor of the late John A. Anderson as United States consul at Cairo. Mr. Stewart and the dead consul were personal friends for twenty-five years.

Minor State News.
The state library contains about 30,000 volumes.

Clyde McMaster, farming near Osage city, has fifty acres of tomatoes.

Prof. Kjellstrand, of Lindsborg college, has accepted a call to Yale.

Five coyotes were shot recently by a party of hunters near Fort Dodge.

The venerable father of the late Senator Plumb has left for California on a visit.

The *Agora Magazine* is soon to be printed in Topeka. Its old home was Salina.

John Davis was renominated for congress by the people's party of the Fifth district.

Apples are a failure in many parts of Eastern Kansas. Small fruits are abundant.

The stockyards company at Kansas City has bought seven acres additional land adjoining.

An immense throng of visitors attended the Turners' encampment at Bismarck Grove.

Nearly fifty Indian mounds have been discovered on the farm of Daniel Hanley, near Sumner.

A grain blockade has been caused at Atchison by recent excessive shipments of Kansas farmers.

Between 8,000 and 9,000 insurance agents will be licensed this year by the state insurance commissioner.

An organization of German voters has been effected. It is called the German-American State association.

Miss Mary Abar, a newspaper woman well known in Kansas, is city editor of the *Appeal-Avalanche* at Memphis.

Atchison school teachers for the future are to be paid according to the amount of experience they have had.

Edward W. Everett is the new postmaster of Olpe, Lyon county, and Cyrus Moore of Shibleth, Decatur county.

A. G. Stacey has been nominated Topeka correspondent for the *Athens* Champion under the new management.

Commencement at the Normal college, Fort Scott, was reported to be the most successful in the history of the college.

Ninety-two refunding bonds of Scott county of \$500 each have been examined in the office of the state superintendent of public instruction with a view to their purchase by the school fund commissioner.

Thirteen original companies including fifty-two branch lines make reports to the railroad commissioners every year.

Trade-Mark Case.
Judge Woods in the U. S. Circuit Court at Chicago on June 23rd decided a trademark case, which is of interest to all druggists and manufacturers of proprietary medicines. About a year ago the Hostetter Co., who make and sell Dr. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, discovered that G. A. McKee was selling at his department store on West Madison street, Chicago, an imitation of the bitters. The original bottles, which had once been used, were employed to hold the imitation article, and the cork sealed with a false or counterfeit metallic cap. Suit was brought by bill in chancery, and the case came on for final hearing, as above, and after argument by counsel for both sides the court decided against McKee, granting a perpetual injunction, with costs, etc.

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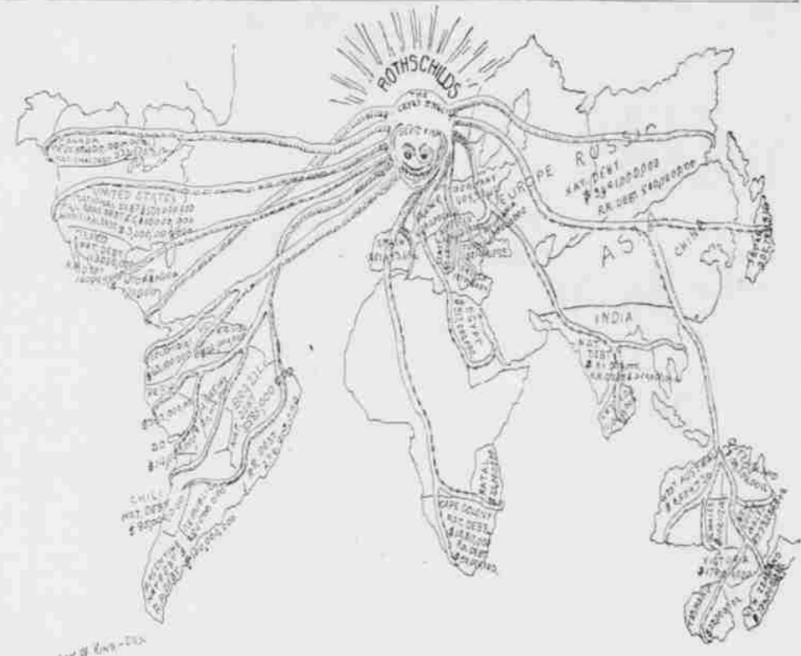
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THE ENGLISH OCTOPUS—IT FEEDS ON NOTHING BUT GOLD.

The national debts of the world in round numbers amount to twenty-eight thousand million dollars (\$28,000,000,000.00). Of this amount, England owns what is shown on the map above—and it is all payable in gold, both principal and interest. We also show on the map the bonded indebtedness of railroads held in England—payable in gold.

We do not show the aggregate indebtedness of states, counties and municipalities, neither do we show the "watered stock" indebtedness of the world, but we do hope what we have shown is sufficient to convince any man

(except Harrison or Cleveland) that England is now the banker of the world and that it is to her interest and nobody's else that an absolute "gold basis" be maintained in order to enable that country to so manipulate prices through currency contraction as to overcome the laws of supply and demand and make the debts of the world forever beyond the reach of the people to pay. When free trade is mentioned, the awful form of the English Cobden club is brought forth and used to scare voters. When free silver is mentioned, the tables are reversed and it becomes neces-

sary to call an international monetary conference that English gold interests may not be made to suffer. In other words, we must tony to England, "lest she crush us off the face of the map."

Let the United States take the initiative step and declare for silver and every octopus-ridden nation on earth will join with us. Don't be coward! Strike one blow for home and humanity! Give us the free and unlimited coinage of silver and thus annihilate the awful power of the Rothschild-Bank of England octopus.—From The Road, Denver, Col., by permission.

erwise in the price of labor and all the products of labor.

A single gold standard means it will take more of the product of labor to pay your debts and taxes than it ever has before.

The eighty-six democrats (?) in congress who voted against free coinage of silver seem to have been "deceived by their own vain opinions" indeed, "an evil suspicion hath overthrown their judgment." The people will speak in November, and overthrow them.—Southern Mercury.

When the farmer learns that the city laborer makes but a poor demand for farm products, and the city laborer learns that the farmer selling his products for less than the price of production, makes but a poor demand for the products of the shop and factory, they will come together for mutual benefit.—Southern Alliance Farmer.

It is just a little disgusting to find so many reform papers advertising pin-trout organs for the sake of a paltry exchange, or offering to club with such organs so as to catch a few subscribers in that way. There are plenty of reform papers and magazines to club with. Don't aid the plutes in scattering mental poison.—National Advance.

The alliance presidents and executive boards of the F. A. and I. T. of all the southern states and Oklahoma met at Birmingham lately in secret conference and unanimously decided to hold the organization solid for the people's party. The democratic vote on the silver bill has done its work. Now for a united country.—National Advance.

The members of the Farmers' Alliance are not troubling themselves whether the democratic nominee shall be Cleveland or Hill, nor whether the republican nominee shall be Harrison or Blaine. Those two parties are making a record in their nominations, and when completed it will be inspected by the people who, at the same time, rest easy in the knowledge that they have a home to go to if they do not like either one.—National Economist.

Remember, before you denounce the sub-treasury plan, that at present every fall there is a terrible depression in all other business, because money is taken away from them to move the farmers' crop. Then stop to think that with a currency increased proportionately with the size of the crop, that the present volume of money could stay in the channel of "other business," depression be avoided, business increased, and good times prevail. Think of it.—Alliance Watchman.

The Acon, of Marshall, Ill., makes the good suggestion, and we heartily second the motion: "Let the people's party celebrate the Fourth of July all over the country and at every point where they can obtain telegrams from Omaha on that day it should be arranged for them to do so. If the old ruttars want to kick because we favor mixing politics with our Fourth of July celebrations, why, let them kick. We are going to make just that sort of a mixture, Jeremiah, and you fellows can't stir it with a ten foot pole, either."—St. Louis New Forum.

bones, no flesh. It has no muscular organization, no menacing cry, no breast-plate, no horn, no dart, no claw, no tail with which to hold or bruise, no cutting fins, or wings with nails, no prickles, no sword, no electric discharge, no poison, no talons, no beak, no teeth. Yet he is, of all creatures, the most formidably armed.

What then is the devil-fish? It is the sea vampire.

The above is but a partial description of this terrible monster of the deep. He says it is with the sucking apparatus that it attacks. The rictus is oppressed by a vacuum drawing at numberless points; it is not a clawing or a biting, but an indescribable suffocation.

A tearing of the flesh is terrible, but less terrible than the sucking of the blood. Claws are harmless compared with the horrible action of these natural air-cups. The muscles swell, the fibers crumple under the loathsome oppression, the blood spurts out and mingles horribly with the lymph of the monster, which clings to its victim by innumerable hideous mouths. The hydra incorporates itself with the man; the man becomes one with the hydra. The specter lies upon you; the tiger can only devour you; the devil-fish, horrible! sucks your life blood away. No one can read the description of the devil-fish but with a feeling of loathing and disgust, and can but wonder why nature created such a horrible monster. But there is an ideal octopus or devil-fish of man's creation that is far more terrible. The natural devil-fish preys upon individuals that fall within its grasp. The ideal devil-fish has its home in London, and has thrown out its tentacles over all the nations of the earth and is slowly but surely sucking the life blood out of all the people of the earth. Its body is credit, its only motive is avarice, its weapon is usury. It has extended its credit into all the nations in which it could get a footing, and with its only weapon (usury) it is gorging its insatiate appetite with gold—its only food.

The great mass of the people in every nation are compelled by necessity to incessant suffering and toil from the cradle to the grave to procure gold with which to feed the accursed monster.

Look at the picture of the monster on our first page, with its arms stretched out to the utmost ends of the earth, armed with a thousand tentacles, each one pointed with its terrible weapon "usury," which like the air cups of the living devil-fish, with which it sucks the blood of its victims, sucks the life-blood of nations (money) from all nations, depriving them of the strength to resist the attacks of the great enemy of labor (credit).

Credit implies usury, that is, interest, and all usury falls, eventually, upon labor, and reduces the laboring classes to the lowest depths of poverty, and enriches and pampers the bloated usurer.

The great English devil-fish is drawing from almost every nation, all of its gold for usury, and this gives it a monopoly of the gold of the world; and all nations for the purpose of sustaining their credit are compelled by necessity

LAND MONOPOLY.

Untaxed Occupancy and Use should Be the Only Title to Land.

The natural resources of the United States are simple gifts of the Creator to all the people. The object of government should be to secure to all, from the highest to the lowest their inalienable right to share in these bounties of God. The poorest man who drags his weary limbs through city streets or along the country roads looking for work is the equal of any other man so far as his natural right to develop wealth and share in its productions is concerned. This is what Jefferson meant when he said "that all men are created equal"; and this is what the people's party mean when they declare that the "land, including all natural resources of wealth, is the heritage of the people, and should not be monopolized for speculative purposes." The resources of this country, which do not owe their existence to either the hand, or the brain of man, are capable of supplying labor with work and wealth—there are not men enough in the state of Missouri to develop her resources—and yet the state contains thousands of men who cannot find work for their hands to do. The land and that contained within it was created for use—not for speculation. But the laws permit some men to take possession of these natural opportunities of labor and hold them out of use, while the nation swarms with idle men. It is this that in thousands of instances drives the farmer's sturdy boys into the cities to compete with their fellows for jobs in the factories; or forces them to beg of a landlord the privilege of tilling his fields, as the despised peasants of France did before the revolution.

Landlordism is not only un-American, it is unnatural! It sent Rome into her grave—her statesmen, her philosophers, her poets, her learning and her wealth, concentrated in the hands of a few, could not save her, after her farmers had become tenants—"great estates ruined Italy."

Land monopoly, and land monopoly alone, drives the poor of Europe across the sea in the hope of finding in "free America, easy access to land." And the aristocrat of Europe has come to our shores as well as the honest poor, and has laid his fatal hand upon American soil to the extent of millions of acres, and is prepared, whenever the emergency comes, to introduce the scenes of Ireland. Landlordism, whether of foreign or domestic origin, "must go."

The producing class of this great country, rural and urban, must dwell in homes of their own, and the strong arm of this government must be made powerful enough and long enough to reach forth and evict every scoundrel who attempts to collar from that sacred place the humblest family that lives between the two oceans.—The People's Voice.

A day of disaster for any nation will surely dawn whenever its society is divided into two classes—the unemployed rich and the unemployed poor—the former a handful, the latter a host.—Daniel Webster.